

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121 as follows:

Replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 11-13, with the following two paragraphs:

CROSS-REFERENCE TO OTHER RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/820,694, filed March 18, 1997, and claims the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/017,902, filed March 29, 1996, both of which are hereby incorporated by reference and made part of the instant disclosure.

Replace the paragraph at page 20, lines 5-20, with the following paragraph:

Biologically or chemically active agents include, but are not limited to, pesticides, pharmacological agents, and therapeutic agents. For example, biologically or chemically active agents suitable for use in the present invention include, but are not limited to, peptides, and particularly small peptides; hormones, and particularly hormones which by themselves do not or only a fraction of the administered dose passes through the gastro-intestinal mucosa and/or are susceptible to chemical cleavage by acids and enzymes in the gastro-intestinal tract; polysaccharides, and particularly mixtures of muco-polysaccharides; carbohydrates; lipids; or any combination thereof. Further examples include, but are not limited to, human growth hormones; bovine growth hormones; growth releasing hormones; interferons; interleukin-1; interleukin-II; insulin; heparin, and particularly low molecular weight heparin; calcitonin; erythropoietin; atrial natriuretic factor; antigens; monoclonal antibodies; somatostatin; adrenocorticotropin, gonadotropin releasing hormone; oxytocin; vasopressin; cromolyn sodium (sodium or disodium chromoglycate); vancomycin;